

## BIG DECREASE IN SUFFRAGE

Only Thirteen Voters in the Town of Colonial Beach Qualified to Vote.

## HAVE FREE LECTURE COURSE

A Stafford County Turkey That Sold for Eight Dollars—Ice Harvested Ten Inches Thick.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., Jan. 7.—It is stated that under the new election laws the town of Colonial Beach on the Potomac River, in Westmoreland county, will have but thirteen voters in the next election, this being the number who paid their capitation tax by the time fixed by the State Constitution. Nearly all of the Washington residents of Colonial Beach, who have heretofore been voting are cut out by the new law.

## FREE LECTURES.

The town of Bowling Green is to have an instructive free lecture course. The lectures will be delivered in Bowling Green Baptist Church, and the speakers will be Rev. Dr. John Pollard, Dr. C. S. Webb, Rev. Dr. H. L. Grier, Dr. C. M. Wrightman, Hon. J. Garland Pollard, Dr. W. L. Foushee, Professor T. H. Phelps, State Librarian J. Pendleton Kennedy, Professor Edwin L. Quarles and Major R. O. Petross. The subjects to be discussed will be as follows: "Poetry," "The Human Body," "Fetters," "Louis Pasteur," "Woman," "Before the Law," "The Three Wives of Henry," "The History of the Ancients," "The Library of the United States," "Constitutional English," "Good Citizenship." The first lecture will be delivered Monday evening, January 11th, by Dr. Pollard, and the others will be delivered at intervals of about two weeks. The course extends from January 11th to May 16th. It is expected that the course will be largely attended by the public, not only of Bowling Green, but of Caroline county, Potomac Mills, in Westmoreland county, having been first built in 1712. The property was once owned by George Washington, father of George Washington, and the mill is still grinding away at this point.

## FINE ICE.

The mammoth ice houses in this city, known as the Magrath and Chesley property, has been filled with the finest ice ever harvested here, measuring in thickness from nine to ten inches, and being perfectly clear.

Miss Alice Cox, of Stafford county, sold this winter to former Staffordians, now residing in Pennsylvania, a turkey which weighed dressed, forty pounds. The price paid for it was \$8. This beats the record around here in weight.

## APPOINTMENT COURT.

Farmers' Club Organized to Take Place County Court Meetings.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
WEST VIRGINIA, VA., Jan. 7.—The County Courts for this county will meet with this term. A large crowd of people present to witness the monthly gatherings, handed down to them by their fathers, and desire in some way to perpetuate them.

To this end a farmers' club was organized to-day to meet in the month when there will be no term of the County Court.

Major J. W. Flood was elected president, and Mr. Phil. Purdum was made secretary.

The new Board of Supervisors met to-day and organized by the election of Mr. T. C. Stratton as president. The case of W. L. Taylor, colored, charged with making an assault on Corporal Douglas, of the Norfolk and Western Railway, was called and continued to the February term of the Circuit Court, which will convene on the first Monday in February.

The bar of Appomattox met to-day and passed resolutions of esteem for the retiring judge of the county, Judge D. A. Chapman, and expressed earnest regret at the severance of his association.

## THE LIGHT QUESTION.

Williamsburg to Proceed Against Social Club for License.

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WILLIAMSBURG, VA., Jan. 7.—The City Council, in its regular meeting last night, decided not to renew their contract with the Weshbach Street Lighting Company, but will purchase lamps and light their own streets.

A committee, composed of Mayor John L. Mercer and Councilmen H. S. Hirt, were appointed to confer with different kinds of lights, and select one for the city. It was also decided to place the new lights in the middle of the streets, as a good many complaints have been made against the lights now in use being in the middle of the street.

## GENERALS' WIDOWS.

Mrs. Mahone and Mrs. Weisger Made Honorary Members.

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PETERSBURG, VA., Jan. 7.—A. P. Hill Camp, Confederate Veterans, held a social meeting here yesterday afternoon. Mrs. David A. Weisger, widow of the distinguished general, honorary members of the camp. It was decided to celebrate the birthday with a parade in the afternoon and a banquet on the night of the 15th. Among noted speakers were Senator Daniel, Colonel J. C. Featherston, of Campbell county, and Judge Samuel W. Williams, of Williamsburg.

## Virgilia Telephone Company.

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VIRGINIA, VA., Jan. 7.—The Virgilia Telephone Company, stockholders, declared a dividend of six percent, and the old officers were elected, except two.

At the Washington Avenue Baptist Church Sunday evening, the 17th, the memorial services will be conducted by the chaplain, the Rev. William G. Starr.

## Weak Lungs.

Those who have weak lungs cannot be too careful about taking cold, as unless promptly treated, pneumonia is likely to follow. For the cure of colds and as a preventive of pneumonia, no one could wish for a better medicine than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. The success that has attended its use everywhere shows that it can always be relied upon. It is pleasant and safe to take and costs but a quarter of a large size, fifty cents. For sale by all druggists.

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## A CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS

James F. Epes, Who Represented Fourth District Many Years Ago, Wants to do so Again.

## TO BE TRIED FOR MURDER

New Jersey Colored Preacher in Jail for Fraud Has a Visit From His Brother-in-Law.

## IN THE GRIP OF WINTER

The Season a Record Breaker in Virginia in Many Ways and Cold Does Much Damage.

## BAYS AND RIVERS BLOCKED

Three Inches of Snow Falls on the Southside and in Tidewater—Man Frozen.

## Frozen to Death.

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ALEXANDRIA, VA., Jan. 7.—As a result of the intense cold which has prevailed in this city for the last few days, Charles Nickens, an aged colored resident, is dead, and Caroline Lewis, an old colored woman, who lived with him, is in a serious condition at the Alexandria Hospital.

## PEANUTS ARE HIGH.

Farmers in Southside Coquetting Between Cotton and Peanuts.

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PETERSBURG, VA., Jan. 7.—Considerable interest is being taken in peanuts just at this time on account of the prospect of very high prices before the next crop comes in. The crop last year was a record, and the price is now at a high level. The farmers are now deciding whether to plant cotton or peanuts. The price of peanuts is now at a high level, and the farmers are now deciding whether to plant cotton or peanuts.

## On the Line.

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VIRGINIA, VA., Jan. 7.—After one of the longest continued cold spells which has visited this section in twenty-five years, the long expected snow materialized last night.

## On the Bay.

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NORFOLK, VA., Jan. 7.—The heavy snowfall of this morning blocked traffic somewhat and rendered navigation rather risky. The liners all arrived on time, however, and no wrecks or collisions have been reported from coast points.

## Fell Three Hours.

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PETERSBURG, VA., Jan. 7.—The ground in Petersburg and vicinity is well covered with snow, which fell for three hours this morning, beginning about half-past 5 o'clock. This is the first snow storm of the season.

## Dangerous Roads.

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WARRENTON, VA., Jan. 7.—Warrenton has been in the icy grasp of winter for a week. The middle of the roads are no better than the streets, so far as walking is concerned, as many have found to their grief. On the Alexandria Turnpike, the steepest highway which enters Warrenton, there was no snow, and the drivers were able to pass safely.

## At Danville.

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DANVILLE, VA., Jan. 7.—A half inch of snow fell here early this morning. The fall lasted less than an hour.

## In Dinwiddie.

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DINWIDDIE, VA., Jan. 7.—Ice houses here are being filled with ice from four and a half to six inches thick. Most of the mills have had to shut down on account of the logs being frozen.

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## Fleming—Thomason.

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SKIPWITH, VA., Jan. 7.—Mr. Augustus L. Fleming and Miss Ethel Rixy Thomason, both of Grayville county, N. C., were married at Mr. Robert L. Thomason's, the uncle of the bride, Tuesday night.

## "THE LAND OF THE SKY."

The Mountain Park Hotel, Hot Springs, N. C., in the delightful "Land of the Sky," will open January 8, 1904, for the winter and spring season. A splendid place to spend a day, a week, a month or year, and is best reached by the Southern Railway. Low rate excursion tickets on sale daily, return limit six months from date of sale. The dining car service of the Southern represents the highest standard of excellence.

## The DELIVERANCE

By Ellen Glasgow,  
Author of "The Battle-ground" and "The Voice of the People."  
READY JAN. 15.  
It is the first important book of 1904.  
DOUBLEDAY, PAGE & CO.,  
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## LIBERTY COUNCIL.

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Assistant Relief Committee—First Ward, O. J. Andrews; Second Ward, J. C. Bookman; Third Ward, H. C. Jennings; Fourth Ward, W. L. Henry; Swansboro, B. W. Criddle; Chesterfield county, L. W. Burton and B. H. Fuqua.

Committee on Delinquents—A. A. Alvis, T. K. Kahl, H. C. Jennings, J. T. Morrisett and W. H. Atkinson.

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Mr. Carpenter has taken up this great home question of labor and capital and treats it with characteristic intelligence and impartiality. For Sunday he has a highly interesting talk with Senator Mark Hanna, on the Signs of the Times.

## VIRGINIA MARRIAGES.